

HOUSE JOINT RESOLUTION 286
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A RESOLUTION to honor and commend Mrs. Celia Ambrester for her meritorious service and many contributions to the children of Campbell County .

WHEREAS, it is fitting that the elected representatives of the state of Tennessee should pause to pay tribute to those exemplary citizens who have given unselfishly of themselves, their time and their talents to perpetuate the public good; and

WHEREAS, Mrs. Celia Ambrester is one such remarkable public servant, a voice of integrity and compassion in education who has given unreservedly of herself to develop this state's most precious resource: our children; and

WHEREAS, a longtime resident of Knox County, Mrs. Celia Ambrester has diligently served the children of Campbell County for the last seventeen years by teaching many of them to overcome speech impairments; and

WHEREAS, throughout her excellent service as Certified Speech-Language Pathologist, she has adhered to the common sense approach and has displayed the common touch in all endeavors, working well with children of varying abilities and different temperaments; and

WHEREAS, a concerned person whose willingness to help those in need knows no bounds, Mrs. Ambrester is highly regarded as a professional and friend in both Campbell and Knox Counties; and

WHEREAS, Mrs. Ambrester was born in Mobile, Alabama, and spent her formative years in Savannah, Georgia. She graduated from Sanford University with a Bachelor of Arts

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degree and earned certification as a Speech-Language Pathologist at Mississippi State College for Women in Columbus, Mississippi; and

WHEREAS, Mrs. Ambrester drives approximately seventy miles round trip from Knoxville to Campbell County each day, not for the money, but because she loves the children she teaches; and

WHEREAS, Mrs. Ambrester is an extremely patient and giving person who motivates her students to reach their full potential, perhaps the greatest of all teaching gifts; and

WHEREAS, she finds it rewarding to teach the children who desperately need her skills, so that they can grow into confident adults who can take pride in their ability to speak articulately; and

WHEREAS, Mrs. Ambrester is fortunate to share both love and companionship with her husband, Dr. Marcus L. Ambrester, their children, daughter and son-in-law, Kim and Larry McMillan, and son, Marcus Ambrester; and grandchildren, Katy and Ryan; and

WHEREAS, Mrs. Ambrester is the perfect example of a person totally committed to quality education and the highest ideals of public service and she should be specially recognized; now, therefore,

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES OF THE ONE-HUNDREDTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF TENNESSEE, THE SENATE CONCURRING, That we hereby honor and commend Mrs. Celia Ambrester for her meritorious service as a teacher of speech and language and salute her commitment to education and the children of Campbell County.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, That an appropriate copy of this resolution be prepared for presentation with this final clause omitted from such copy.